

Carl Nielsen:

302 Serenade (Gerne vi lytter, naar Strængene bringer
"Gladly we listen when music may carry")

1. Gladly we listen when music may carry
Messages up from on high for our souls,
Gladly we're lifted in order to tarry
Far above worldly life's nebulous roles,
Gladly we follow the rhythm in dancing,
Closely embrace as feelings rejoice,
But we prefer making tones, all entrancing,
Singing them out at the top of our voice.

2. Singing's elation, and singing is pleasure,
Singing refreshes like winds of a kind,
Singing makes labour feel almost like leisure,
Singing can comfort the worrisome mind,
Mostly when voices in rhythm are fighting
And with each other in joy succeed,
With all these harmonies let us be slighting
That in the world there is discord and need.

3. Thanks to the lady who's kindly inviting
Young people's choir, for all to be heard,
She who can grasp the magic uniting
Music around the poetical word.
Thank you for welcoming smiles, with their treasure,
Hearken, all ears, alert to the bones,
Thank you for hours so rich in their pleasure,
Jubilant evenings with beautiful tones

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